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On behalf of the judges, commissioners, hearing officers and court staff of the Superior Court of Arizona in Maricopa County, we are pleased to present the Fiscal Year 2000 Annual Statistical Report. This is the first year that the Court has reported operational statistics in the fiscal year format of July through June. Previously, reports were released in a calendar year summary of January through December. For statistical reporting purposes, we have published the last of our calendar year reports in a *Semi-Annual 1999 Report* relating the first six months of operational statistics, January through June. These two reports reflect the combined efforts of many dedicated judicial officers and staff who serve the citizens of Maricopa County. Highlighted in the report are some newly developed and innovative projects designed to enhance the delivery of court-related services. In addition, the Report presents summaries of well-established and continuing justice programs.

The population continues to increase rapidly in Maricopa County, one of the most important factors affecting increasing court caseloads in the future. Maricopa County is now the sixth most populace county in the United States. Current projections predict another one million people will call Maricopa County their home by 2010.

The pages which follow in this statistical report provide a closer look at each operational department of the Superior Court and present a detailed analysis of Fiscal Year 2000 performance, as well as a comparison with the previous calendar year. Comments and suggestions regarding court programs and statistical reporting are most welcome.

Respectfully Submitted,

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